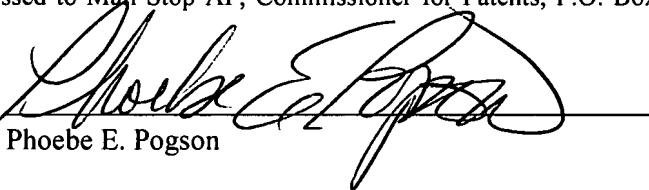


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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE**  
**BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**  
**AND PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences the decision of the Examiner dated April 19, 2007, rejecting claims 1-3, 5, 6, 11-21, and 24-77.

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, extending the period of response two months, to expire on September 19, 2007. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Our check for \$475.00, in accordance with applicants' small entity status, is enclosed.

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